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## Pierson, VOP at Homecoming

The Southern Missionary College Alumni Association will have one of its most outstanding Alumni Homecomings on the weekend of October 17 and 18, according to Alumni President Ellsworth McKee.

Speaker for the Sabbath services at 8:30 and 11:20 will be Elder Robert H. Pierson, president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, Washington, D.C. He, no doubt, will give a report on the recent General Conference session, held in Vienna, Austria. He is a former SMC student.

Appearing with Elder Pierson will be the Voice of Prophecy Quartet. They will also sing at the Friday night service and on Sabbath afternoon. The quartet members are: John Ramsey, '69, first tenor; Jerry Patton, second tenor; Jack Veazey, baritone; Jim McClintock, '56, bass. Veazey is a former student of SMC.

The Friday night speaker will be Elder T. M. Ashlock, '50, associate director of the General Conference Sabbath School Department. He will direct his remarks to the young people who would like to serve in the Mission Field. Alumni who have gone to the Mission Field will be honored, and the offering will go to SMC's Nicaragua Mission.

Featured on the Saturday night program will be Marilyn Dillow Cotton and Larry Blackwell, both well known former students, popular for their vocal talents.

Several quartets from previous years will perform and one highlight will be a short, first-hand, informative, whimsical, and humorous history of SMC, given by Charles Fleming, long-time business manager of SMC.

President McKee says that he hopes all alumni who can possibly come will be present for one of the greatest weekends in the history of SMC.

The enrollment at the College is so heavy this year that quarters are not available, but the Alumni Office will be glad to reserve rooms in the community or at nearby motels upon request.



Elder Robert H. Pierson

## SMC Registration Over 1700; Highest Total in History

Southern Missionary College registered its highest enrollment in its history with almost 1700 students, according to Dr. Arno Kutzner, director of admissions and records.

Late registration is continuing and the figures will probably go over 1700, said Dr. Kutzner.

Southern Missionary College has experienced gains every year since 1958 when it had approximately 500 students. The gains have averaged approximately 75 students a year for that 17-year period.

The southern states are represented as follows: Tennessee, 426; Kentucky, 29; Alabama, 40; Mississippi, 20; Georgia, 122; North Carolina, 107; South Carolina, 24; Florida, 258.

There are approximately 48 states and 23 foreign countries represented.

Over the past five years the most rapidly growing department on the SMC campus is the nursing divi-



Voice of Prophecy Quartet

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## Those Who Walked These Halls

1953

Ruth Beck Boynton received a doctorate in school administration, May 10, 1975, from George Peabody College for Teachers in Nashville, Tennessee. She is principal of the Graysville, Georgia, Elementary School.

1958

Frances I. Clark is the new educational supervisor for the elementary schools in the Southwestern Union Conference. Previous to this she served eight

years as educational supervisor of the Michigan Conference. She has taught church school in the Florida and Potomac Conferences.

1962

Betty Davis Chapin was a recent visitor in Collegedale. She is principal and teaches grades 4-6 in Elmira, New York. The school has ten grades and four teachers. Mrs. Chapin has taught there for the last eight years.

Dr. and Mrs. William Charles Mundy (Susi Heide-Traude, '66) have moved to Angwin, California, where Dr. Mundy is teaching physics at Pacific Union College.

1964

Seventy relatives and friends of Miss Ruby Shreve attended a retirement reception June 8, 1975, honoring her. The reception was held in the educational wing of the Kress Memorial Church in Orlando. Miss Shreve taught church school for 32 years and was also dean of women for five years at the Florida Hospital in Orlando.

1966

Elder and Mrs. Lloyd Erickson and their two children, Jonathan Mark, age 2, and Jennifer Lynn, 3 months old, are living in Lincoln, Nebraska. Elder Erickson is Youth

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## SMC Registration Passes 1700

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sion with 478 registered this year. Other large departments are religion, 191; business, 153; elementary teaching, 96; and secondary teaching, 132.

The housing problem has been acute, according to Dean of Students Kenneth Spears. The Board of Trustees at its first meeting of the new college year on September 22 will give top priority to the housing needs on the campus.

The total enrollment in the men's residence hall is 468; the total enrollment in the two women's residences is 635.

The opening chapel talk was given by Elder Des Cummings, Jr., chaplain of SMC.

The new teachers were accompanied by the administrative officers to a retreat at Camp Atoka Springs near Clayton, Georgia, for orientation of the new faculty members by the administrative officers.

The faculty will also take its annual boat ride on the Tennessee River shortly as part of the opening of the college and for the entertainment of the new staff members, particularly.

## Cynthia Hills Wins Award

Miss Cynthia Ann Hills was awarded first prize in the 1975 Oxford Coordination Contest. Her prize was eight complete place settings of Oxford Bone China and Lenox Crystal. She was selected on her application of the art principles in the coordination of design of china, crystal, and flatware.

Miss Hills is a 1975 home economics graduate of SMC and fulfilled the contest requirements under the direction of her teacher, Mrs. Thelma Cushman, chairman of the department of home economics. Mrs. Cushman also received eight complete place settings of Oxford Bone China and Lenox Crystal.



Cynthia Ann Hills, '75

## Upjohn Company Gives Grants, Drugs for Nicaragua

The Upjohn Company of Kalamazoo, Michigan, contributed \$500 in unrestricted funds, and sent Upjohn products for the four clinics operated by SMC, for the Miskito Indians in Nicaragua. The large shipment (35 cartons) arrived in Collegedale in time to be taken to the mission in the van which left in mid-May. The total retail value of the shipment was nearly \$4,000. It consisted of items requested by the SMC nursing department as specifically useful for Nicaragua. These items were: Unicaps in quantity, ointments, Lincocin, eyedrops, Maolate, etc.

### STUDENT WEDDINGS

Deborah Jean Riffel and Al Lynn Shrock, June 29, 1975, in Bourbon, Missouri.  
Joyce May Vaughn and Floyd Wayne Thornton, July 7, 1975, in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.  
Karen Roletta Abel and Richard Dale Tillotson, July 27, 1975, in Apison, Tennessee.  
Heather Suzanne Duncan and Walter Edward Hopwood, August 7, 1975, in Camarillo, California.  
Cynthia Dawn Shoffner and Ruben Kent Lopez, August 10, 1975, in Burlington, North Carolina.  
Beverly Jeannine Hand and Steven L. Markert, August 17, 1975, in Collegedale.  
Gail Diann Tozer and Michael Lynn McKenzie, August 17, 1975, in Kalamazoo, Michigan.



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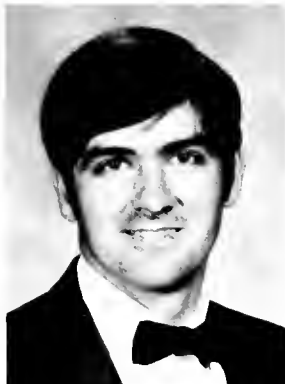
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Richard Park Center, '66



Tui De Vere Pittman, '65



Dominic Cotta, Jr., '71



Lynn Hayner, '71

## Seven Grads Are Ordained

Seven of our former graduates were ordained to the Gospel ministry at various camp meetings during the summer. They are as follows:

Richard Park Center, '66, was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee. After serving as assistant auditor and later as assistant treasurer of the Southern Union, he was called to be the treasurer of the Alabama-Mississippi Conference, a post he has held since 1973. He and his wife, Maxine have two children, Pam, 10, and Douglas, 8.

Tui De Vere Pitman, '65, is a native of California. Following graduate work at Andrews University Seminary, he served as pastor in the Illinois Conference. In 1970 he went to Bolivia as a medical missionary. In 1974 he became pastor of the Athens, Phil Campbell, and Sheffield, Alabama, churches. He and his wife, Faye, have two boys, Sean, 4, and Shannon, 2.

Dominic Cotta, Jr., '71, was ordained at the Florida Camp Meeting, May 23, 1975. Elder Cotta was born in Charles Town, West Virginia. Before receiving his B.A. degree from Southern Missionary College, he served in the U.S. Army. In 1971, he joined the Florida Conference as a singing evangelist. He has also served as an assistant pastor in St. Petersburg and is presently pastor of the Eustis - Leesburg - Groveland District. His wife is the former Nancy May and they have a son, Christopher and a new daughter, Stacy.



Jerry Wayne Willis, '69



Ellis Everett Miler, '70



Kingsley Pierce Whitsett

Lynn Hayner, '71, a native of New York, worked as a literature evangelist before studying for the ministry. After graduation he became assistant pastor of the Knoxville, Tennessee, church. Later he served as pastor of the Lenoir City and Maryville churches. His current assignment is with the Lookout Mountain and Wallaceville, Georgia, churches. He and his wife, Lucy, have six children.

Jerry Wayne Willis, '69, after having received his master of divinity degree from Andrews University, was the assistant pastor of the Memphis first district. He is presently pastor of the Henderson, Madisonville, and Owensboro, Kentucky, churches. His wife is the former Louise Jones.

Ellis Everett Miler was ordained to the ministry at the Missouri Camp Meeting. He is currently pastor of the Moberly, Missouri, district of four churches. Before this he was pastor-teacher in South Carolina. Elder Miler was born in Minnesota and spent a number of years as a logger in Washington, so he knows the value of hard work. He and Jean are the parents of one daughter.

Kingsley Pierce Whitsett re-

cently became the pastor of the Springfield-Oak Grove Heights district. He was ordained at the Missouri Camp Meeting this summer. Before going to Missouri he was Bible teacher at Greater Miami Academy. He had been previously a pastor in Georgia and academy pastor in Maryland. He and his wife, the former Nancy Wendell, '65, have one child.

### Alumni Weddings (Cont. from page 4)

Rebecca Jean Foster, '75, and Douglas Lee Faust, August 17, 1975, in Wattsburg, Pennsylvania.

Joan Elizabeth Montross, '75, and Gerald Leon Mobley, August 17, 1975, in Plainfield, New Jersey.

Nora Gail Rogers, '75, and Michael Vincent Harlan, August 17, 1975, in Orlando, Florida.

Constance Renee Beck, '74, and Leslie Albert Smart, III, '73, August 24, 1975, in Redlands, California.

### Faculty Weddings

Susan Kay Galey, '72, and John Oliver TeHennepe, June 8, 1975, in Hanover, Pennsylvania.

Ann Colleen Gainey and Lawrence Mann Walton, June 30, 1975, in Collegedale, Tennessee.

Jacqueline June Casebeer and Jimmy Pete Davis, July 13, 1975, in Ooltewah, Tennessee.

### OBITUARY

Mrs. Lela Eunice Whorton, '63, passed away May 23, 1975, in Ridgeway, Tennessee, at the age of 79. She taught church school for 49 years having been retired only one year. She was working in her garden when she suffered a stroke and died immediately. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Ruby Davis, a son, Charles Whorton, and four grandsons.

## THOSE WHO WALKED

### THESE HALLS

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and Temperance Director of the Nebraska Conference. Previously he held the same position in the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference in Canada.

#### 1967

Elder James K. Herman is Youth Director of the Arkansas-Louisiana Conference. He and his wife, Ellen Mauldin, '67, are living in Shreveport, Louisiana. Before this Elder Herman served as associate pastor and as pastor of various districts since returning from Andrews University in 1968. The Hermans are the parents of Elizabeth, 5, and Deborah, 2.

Elder Timothy David Manning has moved to Takoma Park where he is teaching in the theology department at Columbia Union College. His wife, Hilda, will be teaching in the home economics department. For the last three years Elder Manning has been pastor of the Buena Vista, Virginia, Church.

#### 1968

Jacquelyn Dardeau Morrow is living in Lafayette, Louisiana, while her husband is studying there at the University of Southwestern Louisiana. Their daughter, Tracie, will be in kindergarten this year.

Miss Ramona K. Reiber graduated in May from the University of Mississippi Medical Center Nurse-Midwifery program and is now practicing in Clearwater, Florida, as a certified nurse-midwife. There are two in the group now, and they will soon have a third added. So far as we know, Miss Reiber is the first SMC graduate to enter this field of service.

Edwin M. Shafer is director of development and communications at Shawnee Mission Medical Center in Kansas. The 241-bed hospital is one of the newest SDA owned and operated hospitals. It is currently involved in a \$24 million expansion program, which will increase the hospital to 400 beds. Mrs. Shafer is decorating their new home in the country. She plans to begin a furniture reupholstery business. The Shafers have two sons: Edwin Michael, 4, and Russel Thomas, 2.

#### 1970

Vilma Jara Raettig is director of mental health nursing at Florida

Hospital. She has a master of science degree from Loma Linda University with specialties in psychiatric and medical - surgical nursing.

#### 1971

Elsie-Rae Pike Davis has recently moved from Waldorf, Maryland, where her husband, Benton, was pastor of two churches. They now live in Upper Marlboro, Maryland. Their son, Benjamin, age 2, died last November. They are eagerly looking forward to the birth of their second child in November.

#### 1973

Caryn Joy Carman received a master of science degree in nursing from Loma Linda University in June.

Carmen Darlene Swigart received a master of music degree from Andrews University with a major in clarinet. She has been teaching at Union Springs Academy since 1974.

#### 1974

Charles Gregory Reaves began his first term of mission service in April of this year in Brazil. He is working for the Brazilian Voice of Prophecy. He and his wife, Mabel, live in Rio de Janeiro.

Nelson Thoresen is taking optometry at the Southern College of Optometry in Memphis, Tennessee. His wife, the former Brenda Martone, '72, is working as a public health nurse at the Memphis and Shelby County Health Department.

#### Births

Emily Suzanne, born September 28, 1974, to Mr. and Mrs. Randy Joe Tryon, '75, in Wildwood, Georgia. Mr. Tryon is medical technologist for Wildwood Sanitarium and Hospital.

David Lee II, born December 14, 1974, to Dr. and Mrs. David Lee Castleberg, '69, (Evelyn Erickson, '68) in Durand, Wisconsin. The Castlebergs have two other children, Ronda Lynn, 4½ years old and Robyn Lea, 2. Dr. Castleberg is in general practice in Durand and Mrs. Castleberg helps out in the office part-time.

Charles Adams was born on Christmas morning, 1974, to Pastor and Mrs. Charles R. Ferguson, '72, (Wanda Brass). Pastor Ferguson serves the Crestview, DeFuniak Springs and Fort Walton Beach, Florida, Churches.

Marilee Ann, born February 20, 1975, to Dr. and Mrs. D. R. Silverstein (Mary Ellen Davis, '67) in Loma Linda, California. The Silversteins are the parents of three other children: Mark David, 5; Jodi Ellen, 4; and Todd Russell, 2. The family will be moving to North Carolina soon where Dr. Silverstein will be setting up dental practice.

Amanda Ruth, born March 28, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Hagar, '72, (Roberta Parker, '72) in Apex, North Carolina. Mr. Hagar is working in construction and Mrs. Hagar works part time at Watts Hospital as an R.N. on general floor duty.

Cynthia Dawn, born June 5, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Dale Loveless, '70, (Sue Mayers) in Chattanooga, Tennessee.

Mark Eugene, born June 7, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ingersoll, '72 (Karen Hallman, '74) in Lumberton, Mississippi. This is Mr. Ingersoll's second year as dean of boys at Bass Memorial Academy. Mrs. Ingersoll has been working in the business office at the academy.

Cynthia Janella, born July 21, 1975, to Pastor and Mrs. John Robert Loor, Jr., '72, (Susan Spears, '71) in Bakersfield, California. Mr. Loor is associate pastor of the Bakersfield-Hillcrest Church.

David Lynn, born August 15, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde David Walters, '71, (Merrie Zumstein, '71) in Hendersonville, Tennessee.

Jeffrey Wilson, born August 19, 1975, to Mr. and Mrs. John William Peeke, '68, in Springfield, Massachusetts. Mr. Peeke is pastor of the Springfield and Florence Churches. Mrs. Peeke taught in the Hartford, Connecticut, church school part of last year and has been helping her husband with the 5-Day Plan.

#### Alumni Weddings

Lucia Jane Crevasse, '75, and Warren Butler Ruf, '74, June 1, 1975, in Jacksonville, Florida.

Ardella Diann Dockter, '75, and Phillip Eugene Davis, June 8, 1975, in Standifer Gap, Tennessee.

Karen Freya Jansen, '73, and Dale Frederic Sinnett, June 8, 1975, in Sheffield, Alabama.

Linda Sue Haus, '75, and Phillip Kerry Fetter, June 8, 1975, in Morristown, New Jersey.

Monica Ruth Pierson, '74, and James Douglas Clarke, '75, June 8, 1975, in Beltsville, Maryland.

Sarah Mae Envoldson, '75, and Edward George McHenry, June 15, 1975, in Reading, Pennsylvania.

Katherina Jorine Herber, '74, and Karl E. Schwinn, June 15, 1975, in Thief River Falls, Minnesota.

Sandra Kay Knowles and Paul David Haynes, '75, June 15, 1975, in Standifer Gap, Tennessee.

Linda Lexine Lane, '71, and Mark Allen Self, June 15, 1975, in Cleveland, Tennessee. Mrs. Self is working in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit of Loma Linda University Medical Center. Her husband, Mark, will be studying respiratory therapy this fall.

Susan Kay Roberts, '75, and Thomas Edward Hayes, June 15, 1975, in Birmingham, Alabama.

Nancy Freda Casil, '75, and Richard Clark Hale, '75, June 22, 1975, in Atlanta, Georgia.

Angela Kaye Robertson, '75, and Timothy Robert Snow, June 22, 1975, in Springfield, Missouri.

Cheryl Bailie and Kenneth Milton Mathews, M.D., '72, June 29, 1975, in Loma Linda, California. They spent their honeymoon in the Smoky Mountains. Dr. Mathews will be doing an elective in rheumatology in Bath, England, in October and November. In January he will be starting a residency in internal medicine at Loma Linda University Hospital. He writes: "Medicine is a fantastic experience in helping people."

Debra Kay Howard, '75, and Phillip Mandy Worley, June 29, 1975, in Collegedale, Tennessee.

Evelyn Margurite Knoeffler, '75, and Bruce LaVern Adams, July 7, 1975, in La Sierra, California.

Kathleen Elaine Belknap, '74, and John Harvey W. Kendall, '74, July 13, 1975.

Marilee Ruth Serns, '75, and H. Mark Dalton, '74, July 13, 1975, in Caesars Head, North Carolina.

Karen Lorraine Halvorsen, '75, and Gregory Lee Gimbel, '75, July 27, 1975, in Berrien Springs, Michigan.

Margaret Rose Pierce, '71, and Elder Gary George Rusted, August 3, 1975, in Portland, Tennessee. They will be making their home in Arlington, Texas.

Susan Carol Gaspard and Jesse Earl Landess, '75, August 10, 1975, in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Mary Jane Gilbert, '74, and Richard Glenn Jacques, August 10, 1975, in Greenville, South Carolina.

Diane Thelma Gilmore, '75, and Walter Glenn Marshall, August 10, 1975 in Ocala, Florida.

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